Right to strike by Government employees

†300. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Supreme Court has declared the right of Government employees to go on strike as illegal; and

(b) if so, what is the actual status of Government employees' constitutional right to go on strike at present?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI SAHIB SINGH VERMA): (a) and (b) The Hon'ble Supreme Court in their judgement dated 6th August, 2003 in the case of T.K. Rangarajan Vs. Government of Tamil Nadu and others held that no right to strike—whether Fundamental, Statutory or Equitable/Moral-exists with the Government employees.

Employment opportunity

†301. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of schemes are being effected by Government in different names with a view to generate the employment opportunities in the country;

(b) if so, the details of the schemes alongwith their respective names;

(c) the date of inception of each of these schemes; and

(d) the total expenditure incurred upon each scheme till the end of March, 2003 and the details of allocation made to each of the said schemes?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI SAHIB SINGH VERMA): (a) to (d) Various Ministries/Department in Central as well as State Governments are implementing various employment generation schemes. The details for the major employment generation schemes run by Central Government through the State Governments are given in the enclosed Statement.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.